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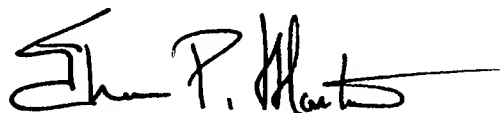
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on March 29, 2006, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 19 of this paper.